Foreign Investment Monitoring in Mali



| Project Title | Foreign Investment Monitoring in Mali |
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| Project Summary | Help inform U.S. foreign policy by conducting online research on foreign investments in Mali with a particular focus on Chinese investments. This is a unique opportunity to study Chinese business activities in a country in urgent need of investment. |
| Country | Mali |

Project Description

Countering the predatory practices of China in Africa, which can include bribes, opaque agreements, and the strategic use of debt is one of the top priorities for U.S. engagement with Africa. U.S. Embassy Bamako seeks an intern to conduct periodic online research and to provide summaries of investment activities to the Embassy Mali economic and commercial team. Research would primarily involve monitoring local press reports; consulting third party sources (such as AidData, the Economist Intelligence Unit, China Global Investment Tracker, etc.) for data and reports on Chinese investment; locating Chinese policy documents describing China's economic priorities in Africa; and consulting any other sources that provide insights into Chinese economic statecraft in Mali and/or the greater Sahel or West Africa region. The project may also involve research into significant investments in Mali by other foreign actors.

Required Skills or Interests

Skill(s)

Economic analysis

Additional Information

None

Language Requirements

Language Speaking Proficiency Reading Proficiency Importance

Finnish Limited working proficiency Minimum professional proficiency Nice to Have